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An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Cap on the Tax Assessment for Correctional Services in Lincoln County and Sagadahoc County

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §701, sub-§2-A, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 653, Pt. A, §8, is amended to read:

2-A. Tax assessment for correctional services. The counties shall annually collect no more than \$62,452,804 from municipalities for the provision of correctional services, excluding debt service, in accordance with this subsection.

The assessment to municipalities within each county may not be greater than the fiscal year 2007-08 county assessment for correctional-related expenditures, which is:

- A. A sum of \$4,287,340 in Androscoggin County;
- B. A sum of \$2,316,666 in Aroostook County;
- C. A sum of \$11,575,602 in Cumberland County;
- D. A sum of \$1,621,201 in Franklin County;
- E. A sum of \$1,670,136 in Hancock County;
- F. A sum of \$5,588,343 in Kennebec County;
- G. A sum of \$3,188,700 in Knox County;
- H. A sum of ~~\$3,018,361~~ \$5,314,210 in Lincoln County and Sagadahoc County;
- I. A sum of \$1,228,757 in Oxford County;
- J. A sum of \$5,919,118 in Penobscot County;
- K. A sum of \$878,940 in Piscataquis County;
- L. ~~A sum of \$2,295,849 in Sagadahoc County;~~
- M. A sum of \$5,363,665 in Somerset County;
- N. A sum of \$2,832,353 in Waldo County;
- O. A sum of \$2,000,525 in Washington County; and
- P. A sum of \$8,667,248 in York County.

Notwithstanding this subsection, the county assessment for correctional services-related expenditures in Somerset County must be set at the fiscal year 2009-10 level when the new Somerset County Jail is open and operating at a level sufficient to sustain the average daily number of inmates from Somerset County.

For the purposes of this subsection, "correctional services" includes the management services, personal services, contractual services, commodity purchases, capital expenditures and all other costs, or portions thereof, necessary to maintain and operate correctional services.

Lincoln County and Sagadahoc County shall allocate actual jail costs as authorized in the cost-sharing agreement pursuant to section 1851, subsection 3.

SUMMARY

This bill combines the cap on the amount that Lincoln County and Sagadahoc County may collect from municipalities for administration of the jail that serves both counties.